

## Conjunctions

We can use **and** and **but** to join two short sentences to make one longer sentence.

The conjunction **and** joins sentences with similar ideas.

My sister had a birthday.  
She got a new bike.  
My sister had a birthday **and** she got a new bike.

The conjunction **but** joins sentences with different ideas.

My aunt lives far away.  
She calls me often.  
My aunt lives far away **but** she calls me often.

Use **and** or **but** to complete each sentence.

- 1) Janey \_\_\_\_\_ her friend Amelia rode their bikes to the park.
- 2) The taxi driver wanted to turn right, \_\_\_\_\_ had to turn left instead.
- 3) The teacher wanted the students to do both maths \_\_\_\_\_ science homework.
- 4) Mark let his friends play with his bike, \_\_\_\_\_ not his basketball.
- 5) The school marching band practiced hard \_\_\_\_\_ they still did not sound very good.
- 6) The boy and his father go camping \_\_\_\_\_ fishing every Easter.
- 7) The race car rounded the track for the last lap \_\_\_\_\_ ran out of gas before it made it to the finish line.
- 8) The book was over 400 pages long \_\_\_\_\_ I read the whole thing.
- 9) Sarah wants to drive to work \_\_\_\_\_ her car won't start.
- 10) The policeman catches criminals \_\_\_\_\_ keeps everyone safe.